

At Our Lady's Acomb and St. Joseph's Green Hammerton we extend a special

WELCOME

to those who are single, married, divorced, re-married, widowed,
gay, confused, filthy rich, comfortable, or down to their last penny.

We extend a special welcome to crying new-borns,
those feeling their age, and everyone in-between;
to the super-fit and to those who could afford to lose a few pounds.
You're welcome if you are Yorkshire born-and-bred, here for a while,
or just visiting ... even from Lancashire!

WE WELCOME YOU

if you can sing like Pavarotti or can't carry a note in a bucket.
You are welcome here if you are just looking, just woke up, or just got out of prison.
We don't mind if you're more Christian than the Bishop,
or haven't been to church since little Tommy's baptism and don't know what to do.

WE EXTEND A SPECIAL WELCOME

to those over 60 but not grown-up yet, and to teenagers growing-up too fast!
We welcome keep-fit mums, football dads, starving artists,
tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, junk food-eaters.
We welcome those in recovery, and those who are still addicted.
We welcome you if you are having a hard time, or you're down in the dumps,
or if you don't like organised religion. You are in good company!
If you blew it all at the racecourse or on the lottery,

WELCOME!

We offer a welcome to those who think the earth is flat,
work too hard, don't work, can't work, can't spell, can't hear, can't see, can't walk,
or who have come because grandma is visiting and wants to go to church.

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those who are inked, pierced, or both.
We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now,
had religion shoved down their throat as a kid,
or got lost on the number 4 bus and ended up here by mistake.
We welcome tourists, seekers, doubters, those with more questions than answers ...

AND YOU!

*We welcome you, whoever you are, however you are,
just as you are, with no hoops to jump through.*

**YOU BELONG WITH US, BECAUSE
YOU BELONG TO CHRIST, AND THAT IS ENOUGH.**